

## Message Text

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SUBJ: INFORMATION ON PESTICIDE USE AND RESIDUES

REF: A. STATE 114232; B. BOGOTA 05207; C. STATE 126341

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1. WITH REFERENCE TO PARA 2 OF REFTEL C, THE FOLLOWING PESTICIDES HAVE BEEN BANNED FOR USE IN COLOMBIA: ALL MERCURY-CONTAINING PESTICIDES WERE BANNED IN 1974; CHLORINE-CONTAINING PESTICIDES WERE BANNED IN 1974 FOR USE ON TOBACCO CROPS; DDT-CONTAINING MEXES WERE BANNED IN MAY, 1977 FOR USE ON COTTON CROPS, EXCEPT UNDER SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES. DDT IS BANNED FOR USE IN ITS PURE FORM AND MUST ALWAYS BE COMBINED WITH OTHER SUBSTANCES. THE BAN ON MERCURY- CONTAINING PESTICIDES APPLIES TO BOTH USE AND PRODUCTION. THEREFORE PRODUCTS CAN NOT BE EXPORTED.

2. NONE OF THE PESTICIDES MENTIONED IN PARA 3 OF REFTEL C ARE BANNED FROM USE IN COLOMBIA WITH THE EXCEPTIONS OF MERCURY-CONTAINING PESTICIDES AND DDT AS DESCRIBED ABOVE. HOWEVER, ACCORDING TO GOC OFFICIALS, IT IS DOUBTFUL THAT KEPONE OR STRYCHNIN PESTICIDES WOULD RECEIVE THE NECESSARY APPROVALS FOR THEIR IMPORT OR MANUFACTURE IN COLOMBIA UNTIL CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE ESTABLISHES THAT A MINIMUM OF RISK IS INVOLVED IN THEIR USE.

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PROHIBITION REGULATIONS GOVERNING THESE PRODUCTS DO NOT CURRENTLY EXIST.

3. WITH REFERENCE TO PARA 4 OF REFTEL C, A COPY OF THE LIST OF REGISTERED PESTICIDES AND A COPY OF DECREE 950 CONCERNING THE USE OF DDT IN COLOMBIA ARE BEING POUCHED. COPIES OF OTHER COLOMBIAN LAWS RELATING TO PESTICIDES ARE CURRENTLY UNAVAILABLE.

HOWEVER, EMBASSY HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT A BOOKLET OF ALL SUCH LEGISLATION IS BEING PREPARED BY GOC FOR RELEASE IN AUGUST, 1977.

4. IN RESPONSE TO PARA 5 OF REFTTEL C, THERE ARE PESTICIDES WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED FOR USE IN COLOMBIA, SUCH AS KEPONE AND STRYCHNIN.  
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